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## News Release

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### High Wind Warning issued for Kaua'i and Ni'ihau

The National Weather Service has issued a High Wind Warning for Kaua'i and Ni'ihau in effect 6 p.m. Dec. 18 to 6 p.m. Dec. 19. The warning may be extended, dropped or modified as conditions develop.

A High Wind Warning means sustained, strong winds with even stronger gusts are happening or imminent.

According to the NWS, southwest winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts up to 60 mph are expected tonight through Monday, especially over and downwind of terrain. Additionally, all areas will be susceptible to strong winds within heavy showers.

Hazardous driving conditions due to powerful cross winds will pose a serious risk for drivers, especially for lightweight and high-profile vehicles. Loose outdoor items should be brought inside or secured properly.

For updates on road conditions and closures, please call 808-241-1725. Please do not call Kaua'i police 911 unless you have an emergency.

For weather updates call the National Weather Service automated weather line at 808-245-6001, or visit the NWS website, [www.weather.gov/hfo](http://www.weather.gov/hfo).

To sign up for Wireless Emergency Notification System (WENS), the county's emergency notification service, please go to the county's website, [www.kauai.gov](http://www.kauai.gov) and click on "Sign up for

Emergency Notifications." You may also call the Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency at 808-241-1800.

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